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20"	20-42	4533	254	17.9	426
22"	22-46	5404	310	17.4	514
24"	24-49	6556	376	17.4	624
28"	556-K	8046	457	17.6	762

Remarks: Ratings according to 4th Edition Standard Code. This series made with two types of grates. Heating Surface and grate area same for both types.

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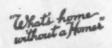
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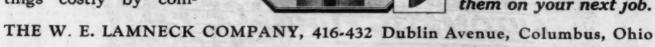
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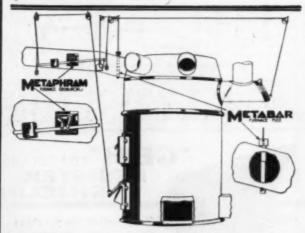
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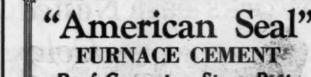
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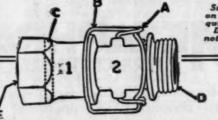
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# Warren Carter says—



# INTENSIVE SALESMANSHIP Plus BACKBONE

### Best Remedy for Excessive Competition Now Existing in SHEET METAL BUSINESS

THE sheet metal contracting profession is today suffering from too much internal competition. If some of the energy that is being used to wrest jobs from competitors in the same line was applied towards the development of more and better sheet metal work, there would be a different and more healthy situation.

We could learn better how to sell the art of sheet metal installation and devote less time to making low prices.

What are we in this line of business for anyway, or any line for that matter?

- (1) To make money.
  - (2) To render service.
  - (3) To satisfy an ideal.

We are all in business to make money and render service.

Most certainly we are in business to make money, improve our conditions in life, discount our bills, fullfil our obligations and enjoy distinction as successful business men in our several communities.

One's self-respect is enhanced by proper surroundings, good and serviceable equipment, a modern place in which to do business and an upto-date office where we can receive our patrons, sales-representatives, and all others, when they see fit to call upon us.

Good surroundings and proper equipment are essential to growth.

All of these things represent ex-

### Price Cutting Does Not Make for Success

WARREN CARTER, of Carter, Donlevy & Co., Philadelphia, author of this article points out some old truths which are ever new.

It will pay all of us to read his thoughts to learn again how truly simple is the formula for success—provided we are able to use plenty of application which he so aptly terms BACKBONE.

pansion and growth, yet are as necessary to our success in the businessworld as the food we eat. On the other hand, none of them can be properly accomplished without the use and extended use of money.

This money must be gained prop-

erly and honestly from one's business or profession, but will not be accumulated through price-cutting. The man or concern which indulges in consistent price-cutting rarely gets ahead in the business world.

To make more money out of our business, we must develop the selling end. Price-cutting can largely be eliminated by the fine art of salesmanship applied at the proper time.

Many general contractors take delight in pitting one sheet metal contractor against another, in an effort to secure lower prices.

There is a lot of bluffing done by buyers, including general building contractors, who take great joy in making extra profits off the subcontractors and in the case of the sheet metal man, pitting one against the other to the detriment of the craft.

Why should the mind of the buyer be fixed on price rather than service value and utility? He has unconsciously been taught to look for price first. Always — How much—not How good. Buyers are keen at sensing an opportunity for securing a cut—far keener than many believe.

We are never price-cutters—It is always the other fellow.

Remember, none of us are ever price-cutters. It is always our competitors, or some buyer who told us we were too high. We spend too much thought on fearing our competitors. In making up an estimate, we are so often guided by fear of what our competitor will or will not do. He is sitting in his office no doubt thinking the same thing about us—result—each man cuts his price below the figure he knows he can do the job for and continue his business properly.

Does the owner gain? No. For he gets in the long run what he pays for and very little more. If the sheet metal man or any mechanic gives more than he bargains for and keeps it up, he will be a candidate for the slide.

Sheet metal jobs-can be sold on

basis of service and utility if proper sales-force is used.

Let us get away from the price idea for a moment and consider that the real sheet metal job could and should be sold on the basis of its worth to render service for the purpose required—not on price alone.

There are lots of jobs where the idea could be sold that the first cost is the only cost and is reasonable—that, as the years toll by and the work holds up and gives service, as you know it will according to your promise, the original outlay will disappear gradually or become negligible.

What owner, for instance, if he knew a good tin roof would last for 25 years more with a little care and attention, would not consider paying more than for some cheap substitute which would be dead and gone before the metal roof really started on its long life of service?

Ability to interpret plans and exe-

cute work properly, plus back-bone to ask a fair price, essential.

To accomplish this ideal, we need back-bone, faith in self, ability to demonstrate our work, knowledge as to how to accurately read and interpret plans and specifications, experience in figuring costs of material and installation, and finally, strength of purpose to get a decent profit on each and every piece of work undertaken without fear or favor.

To educate one's patrons to a better job and a consequently higher margin or a living profit, we must first educate ourselves; so this would be our message, that by resolving to bring out profession to a higher plane, we have taken the first step. The others will follow in easy succession.

Let us therefore place quality, service and utility ahead of price, making the price representative of these elements.

# Constructing Pattern for 5-Way Sheet Metal Y-Branch

Problem Treated from a Geometrical Point View to Familiarize Student with That Method

By O. W. KOTHE, Principal St. Louis Technical Institute

RESPONDING to the inquiry of A. Burt Hart, 824 West 36th Street, Chicago, for a spiral conveyor according to sketch submitted, I give the accompanying drawing for the proper solution. In actual shop work the elevational spiral is not required; since all we need is the rise, or 43 inches divided into as many equal parts, as the plan view contains.

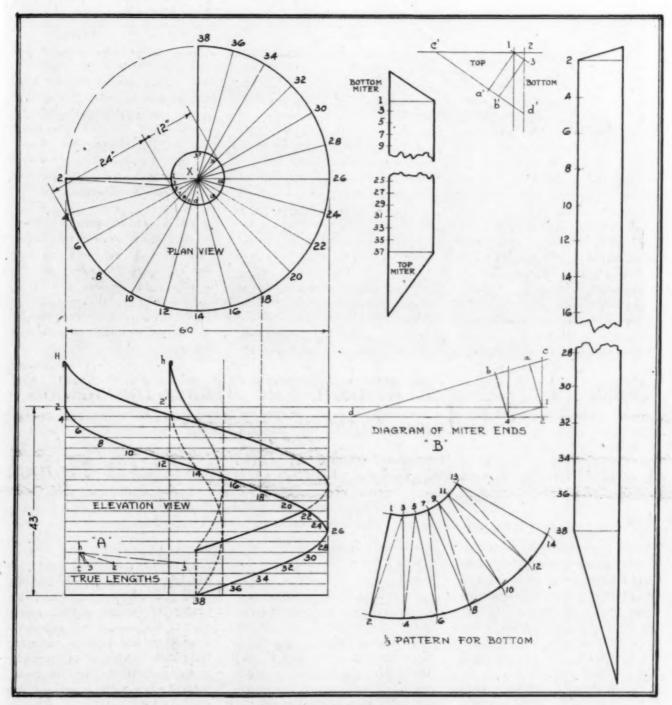
First draw the plan view to full size or half or quarter size scale. In this case a quarter plan is sufficient, since that gives us a correct ratio of the full conveyor. Divide the plan in any number of parts, as from 2 to 14 or 38 in this case. Draw lines to the center, which also subdivides the smaller circle.

Next measure the altitudinal line for the 43-inch drop that the spiral is to make in the three-fourths turn, and divide this into 38 equal spaces. Observe, if we only use a quarter plan, then we must only use a quarter altitude; but in this case we use the full plan and full altitude. In this case the altitude would be divided in three parts, if a third of the three-quarter plan were used as we do.

These altitudinal spaces then give the correct rise between each space of plan. This is shown at "A" where we have the true lengths for the three lines used. Thus, h-t is the altitude of one space, and 2-4, 2-3 and 1-3 of plan are transferred to the base line as, t-3, t-2, t-3', while the plan line 1-2 retains its width all the way around the conveyor. Then, h-3, h-2, h-3' are true lengths. The line, 2-3, is for the small girth around the post, while h-2 is for the heel girth, and h-3' is the dotted cross line 2-3.

-To set out the pattern for the

bottom of conveyor draw any line, as 1-2, equal to 1-2 of plan; then with dividers pick the true girth, h-3, and h-2 from "A," and with 1 and 2 in pattern as center, strike arcs as at 3 and 4. Then pick true length h-3' from "A," and using point 2 in pattern as center, cross arcs as at 3. Then pick plan line 1-2, and using the new point 3 as center, cross arcs in point 4. Repeat this operation by striking arcs 5 and 6 equal to the girths h-3 and h-2, and then cross with true length h-3' and 1-2 of plan, establishing the new points 5-6 in pattern. In this way develop as much of the pattern as you can handle or a third in this case. In order to take the twist out and make the bottom lay level, part of it must be stretched, and another part shrunk or drawn; so it is not well to make these patterns too large. It is always easier



Patterns for Spiral Conveyor

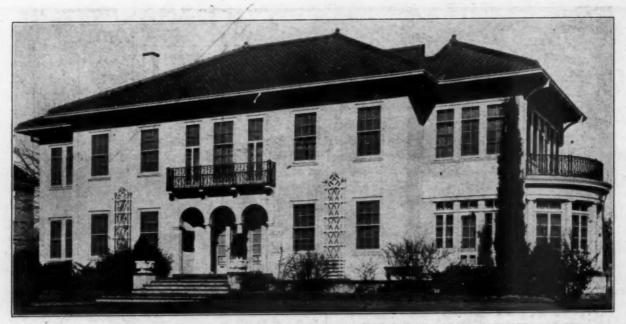
to handle and work the twist out in the rivet lines than trying to force the solid sheet. Of course if the workman has had experience and can handle larger pieces, that is to his benefit.

Now the sides of the conveyor are merely straight strips, with miter lines cut at the top and bottom. This is shown at "B," where 1-2 is the rise of one space of the 43 inches, the space 2-4 is transferred from plan, so that the line 1-4 will

be a true length of girth, or is the same as h-2 of "A." Then square out lines as 1-a and 4-b, equal to the width of the wide strips. Then the vertical line 1-c-a will be the top miter line, and by extending the line, c-b to d, then 4-b-d is the proper miter line if the side is to finish on the floor. But if it is to have a vertical cut, then the miter 1-a-c is used.

The proper girth for these strips would be to take 18 spaces times the

line 1-4 of "B," or h-2, which gives us the distance 2-38, and beyond this we add the miter cuts as shown. A similar diagram, as at "B," is made for the throat strip; and this is shown as "C," where 1-2 is the rise, and 2-3 is the plan girth 1-3, so that 1-3 becomes the true length, and by adding the width of strip, and drawing miter lines, we can then lay off the pattern as shown. Laps for riveting the edges must be allowed extra.



Residence of H. P. Jordon, Waco, Tex.

# Sheet Steel Spanish Mission Tile Makes Inroads on Mansion Type of Dwelling

Imitation Found to Give Better Service Than the Original

By George Duerr

PUBLIC opinion is a strange thing in some respects; it causes many strange things to be done in the manufacturing and merchandising world. In the field of roofing this peculiarity of public opinion is outstanding. Let us direct our attention to what has happened with regard to Spanish tile.

For a period of perhaps forty years or more the tiles—German, French and Spanish—have been before the public, brought out in this country originally by the Ludowici-Celadon Company. But perhaps even before the early activities of Ludowici the Spanish tiles, with which we are particularly concerned in this article, had made their appearance in lower California and Mexico.

This tile roofing was found to lend itself so well to the purpose of covering and at the same time gave the dwelling an attraction that took the public eye, that it was seized upon almost immediately by architects in all parts of the country for roofing.

There were found, however, certain objections to this type of roof; namely, the weight of the tile and its extreme brittleness. To support the weight of a tile roof of any considerable size requires a considerable reinforcement of the understructure; that is, to support the added weight of the tile roof the foundation and frame of the dwelling is required to be materially increased. Then there is the cementing requirement. The clay tile as they are laid are cemented together: Clay tile is subject to expansion and contraction, and the cemented joints are only water tight as long as the cement remains intact. With the movement of the tile due to expansion and contraction, the cement cannot be expected to remain in-

Here was a situation in which the

product in question had several good points to its credit, but some bad points that had to be considered. In other words, to take advantage of certain qualities which the tile roof had, it was necessary to make certain sacrifices; namely, the greater investment of capital in re-enforcement of the sub-structure to support the weight of the roof.

It is, therefore, not surprising that engineers should have turned their attention to the matter of imitating a product that so obviously had taken the public eye, with the idea in mind to take advantage of the good points of the clay tile and at the same time employ a material (sheet metal) whose weight is only about one-fifth as great as that of the clay tile, while at the same time permitting a considerable reduction in the amount of expenditure for sub-structure.

And as so often happens, in try-



A Home in Oklahoma City, Okla.

ing to accomplish one thing, we sometimes stumble onto ways of accomplishing more than we expected to at the outset. The matter of cementing was automatically done away with in the placement of the metal tile. The original color could be easily duplicated with paint.

So well have the engineers succeeded in their original intention of imitating a popular product which, however, had certain disadvantages, that they have actually come to the point where the imitation is admittedly better than the original. The new product removes entirely all of the inherent objections to the original and actually gives better service than the former did.

In the matter of length of service the metal tile has far outdistanced the clay tile. In appearance the metal tile has everything the clay tile has, and in addition it has the virtue of not requiring cementing. It is fire-proof and non-corrosive. It has less weight.

In view of these facts, it is again not surprising that the metal tile roof idea, which incorporates all of the virtues of the Spanish clay tile with the added virtue of having none of the latter's disadvantages should have gained indisputable popular favor. It is now rapidly invading the once seemingly impregnable strongholds of the Spanish clay tile even to the extent of being looked upon with favor in what is known as the pretentious mansion type of dwelling.

As proof of this we present the two accompanying illustrations of metal tile as it appears doing service on two of the mansion type dwelling. The one is Spanish Mission tile on the residence of 3703 North McKinley Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This roof has already had five years of service and gives absolutely no sign of wear. No repairs have been required. The other photo is that of the dwelling of Honorable H. P. Jordan, 2111 Austin Avenue, Waco, Texas. The structure was erected seven years ago, and the metal tile roof was laid by Torbett & Germond Company, sheet metal contractors, Waco, Texas. The tile on this home was manufactured by the Edwards Manufacturing Company.

Here are two examples of steel not only equalling but improving upon the natural beauty of these dwellings. This type of work can be done and sheet metal contractors who are on to their jobs are getting just this type of work. Certainly a goal for the younger sheet metal men to aim at. The photographs were loaned to us through the courtesy of the Sheet Steel Trade Extension Committee.

### Four New Oxygen Plants Increase Linde Service

Four new Linde plants have recently started production of oxygen and are now serving the local demand in their respective localities. On July 3, a plant at 631 South 17th. Street, Harrisburgh, Pennsylvania, started operating in charge of J. J. Naber. A plant at 17th and West Lawrence Streets, Allentown, Pennsylvania, in charge of W. Barber, began production on July 18. On August 1, the Shreveport, La., plant, located at Foster and Thomas Streets, in charge of F. T. Rueger, started operating. Last of all, a plant at First Avenue and B Street, South Charleston, West Virginia, was added to the chain. Ed Pohlman is superintendent at the latter plant, which started manufacturing August 10. The opening of these plants brings the total up to 52 Linde oxygen producing plants throughout the country.



The other morning when our manager showed me a card post-marked Menaggio, Italy, I thought to myself (or rather out loud) A, W. Glessner, president of the Excelsior, must be on another of his globe trotting trips:

"Look again," said Miss C. "Yes, it is a Glessner but this time it is Arthur B. not Arthur W."—

Well some folks are lucky, I'll say. Here Arthur and Mrs. Glessner are just returning from a three months' trip through England, Holland, Belgium, Germany, Czecko Slovakia, Austria, Italy, Switzerland and France, while I must be satisfied with a two weeks' vacation in the Wisconsin Lake regions.

Any way I'm happy—Makes me feel important to know that an editorial man can't be spared from the job for more than a few weeks at a time, while the "big boss" of the Excelsior St. Paul branch can go away all summer.

I guess our friend Ralph Poe started something when he told me that his home town, Canton, Illinois, is such a wonderful place for fishing. I took his word for it and unselfishly in our August 11th issue, passed the information along to you folks.

Now comes a real howl from Jack Barclay (no need to introduce him, as everybody knows this quiet retiring salesman for the Chas. Johnson Company). "Say, I fished there—and if Ralph calls thirty-five dollars for one measly little fish good fishing I'll be hanged."

Well, Jack, not that I'm sticking for Ralph, you'll admit it was fine fishing for some one, wasn't it?

Les Taylor: "I only drink a cocktail on great occasions."

Dave Farquhar: "What do you call great occasions."

Les: "When I drink a cocktail."

Our friend C. D. Palmer of the J. M. and L. A. Osborn Co. certainly knows how to keep the perennial youth blooming or else he is kidding us. He just honored us with a note saying that he had just returned from his 45th "Honey-moon" and spent it enjoying the beauties of the St. Lawrence. We think that C. D. must have taken a number of semi-annual trips to have rolled up this score

"There's a limit to all things," says Roy Harrison. "I don't mind washing the dishes. I don't mind feeding the cat. I don't mind mending my own clothes. But I'll be durned if I'll wear pink ribbons on my nightshirts to fool the baby.

Neighbor: "You say your father was injured in an explosion. How did it happen?"

Young Hopeful of Tommy Richardson: "Well, Mother said it was too much sugar, but Father said it was too much yeast."

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He was dug out of a wreck of his automobile and carried into the nearest doctor's office.

"I can't do anything for this man," said the doctor. "I am a veterinary surgeon."

"You're the right man, doc," said the amateur motorist. "I was a jackass to think I could run that machine."

Bill Laffin found some holes in his socks and said, "Wifie, dear, why haven't you mended these?"

"Hubby, darling, did you buy me that coat you promised?"

"N-no."

"Well, if you don't give a wrap, I don't give a darn."

Mrs. Harry Dettmers, Chicago.—
"I'm sure that language on the phone is quite uncalled for."

Mr. Dettmers—"So is the number they've given me." Say, boys, if you want to see two busy, happy fellows, just full of enthusiasm, you ought to get a look at Roy Walker and L. D. Burroughs, president and sales manager, respectively, of the Midland Furnace Company, who paid us a short visit this week. "Things are humming in Columbus; just watch our smoke," they say.

A Scotchman was discovered wandering around Detroit with a pair of rumpled trousers over his arm. "Can I help you in any way?" asked Stewart L. Coxford, Sales Manager of the Stearns Register Company. "Man," replied the Scot, who was evidently a newcomer, "I'm looking for the Detroit Free Press."

H. V. Jamison, Advertising Manager, American Sheet and Tin Plate Company: "Just a little thing it is but one which only the fortunate few may possess, and yet it solves one of the world's oldest hygienic problems in a newer and better way. Consequently, it will enhance my prestige with the neighbors, make me the center of attraction at our country club and show the world that I understand the gentle art of living. Because it keeps away those foul minions of disease which prevent health from playing on my side, it is a great service to humanity, a boon to the tired housewife I married and something which my daughter should know about. I am looking for one in bright, nickelchrome tin-plate with extra heavy, detachable 'Swing-Shut' lid, guaranteed to keep off prowling animals for three years. Mounted upon a beautiful Renaissance base made of choicest woods from the Old World. this receptacle for kitchen refuse will harmonize with my Early Colonial back yard."

Salesman: "Oh, you want a garbage can!"

Jamison: "In a word, yes."

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My son, I've traveled round the world,

And many maids I've met; There are two kinds you must avoid The Blonde—and the Brunette!



View of Warm and Cold Air Ducts in Kilns Before Partitions Were Put In

# Warm Air Heating System Now Being Tried in Lumber Drying Plant

CAN a warm air heating system be successfully employed to remove the native moisture of green wood before the wood can be used for commercial purposes?

We have seen the warm air heating system outdistance its rivals in the matter of giving health and comfort economically in the private System Gives Promise of Effecting Enormous Economies

By GEORGE DUERR

dwelling, regardless of the size of the latter.

In the heating of factories, work

shops and public garages it has permitted economies that were undreamed of by the most visionary of engineers.

In paint drying plants it has greatly increased the capacity of the drying ovens by cutting down the drying time, and producing a better quality of dried paint surface than



Furnace Room Showing Main Warm Air Duct Taken Off Furnace

is possible with the steam coil system.

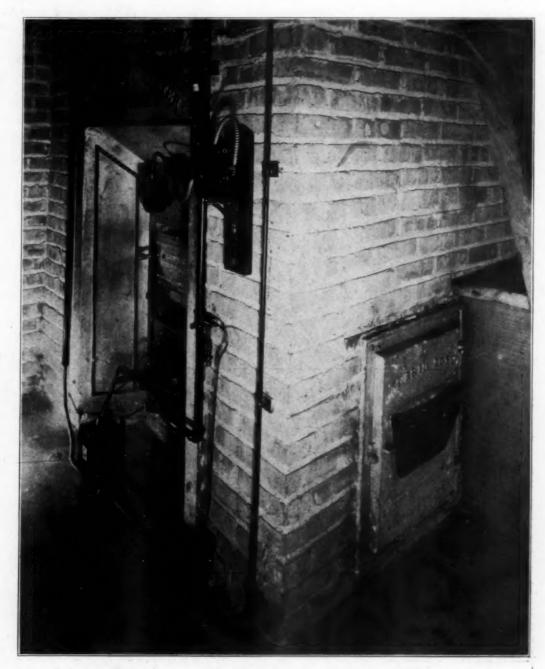
And now the warm air heating system is on the way toward a successful invasion of another field much more difficult than any of the others attempted heretofore, but much more glorifying for the ixdustry if the anticipated results materialize, which preliminary tests bid fair to prove that they will.

It is common knowledge that, re-

gardless of the purpose for which they are to be used, all woods must be subjected to a drying or seasoning process before they can be put to use. This drying process is a very ticklish proposition, as, of course, if the woods are not dried evenly, they split, crack, warp and become twisted to such an extent as to seriously discount their utility.

The United States Department of Agriculture, through its Forest Products Laboratory, located at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, has made a detailed study of the drying of woods and their several reactions to the application of the drying processes, together with the principles involved.

"A study of these principles," says J. S. Mathewson of the Forest Products Laboratory, in a letter to the editor of American Artisan, "will indicate that the satisfactory



Appearance of Furnace Front Showing Oil Burner Attachment

drying of etock is dependent primarily on properly conditioning the air with respect to temperature and humidity rather than on the particular means by which the conditioning is accomplished."

By nature the warm air heating system is better equipped to condition the air than any other means of heating, because of the fact that the moisture content of the air which passes through the systems to the rooms beyond can be positively controlled. Therefore it can be reasonably assumed that that type of system when properly constructed would be able to perform the work of drying wood in a much more satisfactory manner than the steam or hot water systems.

Acting upon this assumption, one firm of wood dryers, drying woods for pattern making, have installed a system that is akin to that which the Forest Products Laboratory designates in its "Kiln Drying Handbook" as the "Blower Kiln." The air circulation in the system about to be described, installed by a prominent Chicago warm air fur-

nace installer, produced by a blower, and the heating unit is a large warm air furnace, fired with an oil burner and thermostatically controlled. Allow the fact to be paranthetically injected at this point that the importance of air circulation in the kilns is well established in the handbook mentioned.

The entire system consists of six kilns connected in series by a trunk line system of ducts. The entire length of these ducts is 83 feet. An 8-inch brick casing surrounds the furnace, while the whole is located in a 12-inch brick fireproof room equipped with automatic fire doors. The capacity of the system is 55,000 B.t.u. per hour. The blower is operated by a 5 H.P. motor.

Some idea of the size of the main duct can be gained from the knowledge that the main duct is 24x72 inches. This reduces first to 24x54

and then to 24x30, while the drops as seen in the illustration are 12x30 inches. These ducts are all made of 22-gauge galvanized iron, and about two tons of metal were used to complete the job.

The warm air outlets are located in the 12x30 drops as shown in the illustration on page 143. The system is constructed on the recirculating principle, and the air is drawn back to the furnace through a trunk line system located on the bottom of the kilns and is divided into two lines. The cold air openings can also be seen in the illustration on page 143. A further saving in the amount of fuel burned is effected in this way, because of course, the air drawn back to the furnace is not cold by any means. A damper is located in the furnace room near the blower so that cold air can be taken in from the outside if this should be found

desirable or necessary for any reason. At the present time this damper is kept closed.

Each kiln is equipped with what are known as humidity vents in the ceilings of the kilns. Thus the moisture which arises from the drying wood is enabled to escape and the drying process is further facilitated. The kilns themselves, although not actually insulated in the true sense of the word, are specially constructed to hold the heat in them. The shop is arranged so that trucks drive into it from the outside and stop opposite the kiln to be loaded. The inside wall of the kiln-that is, the wall that faces the driveway on the inside of the building, is equipped with a large canvass (shown in the illustration on page 146) which is rolled up out of the way while the kiln is being loaded and is used to cover the side of the kiln when the



Exterior View of Kilns Showing Canvas Sides

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### Job Record Form Used by William F. Wahler Who Installed the Lumber Drying Plant

heat is turned on. In loading the kilns, the wood is so stacked in them as to permit free circulation of air throughout the entire pile. And the fact that the air is being forced into the kilns insures an even drying of all the lumber. In the case of the steam drying plant the lumber that was nearest the steam coils was treated to an overdose of the heat, while that in the center of the pile did not get as much, consequently there was an unevenness in the drying process with the steam plant. In the case of the warm air drying plant the wood was dried in the nearest approach to nature's way of drying. The currents of air created by a fan, blower or by gravity and carrying the B.t.u.'s wiped from the furnace surfaces are analogous to

the winds of nature that are gently wafted to and fro.

In this system the requirements called for 120 degrees of heat at zero outside temperature. The drying with the steam system required the minimum of eight days. The warm air system cut that time to five and six days, thus cutting off two and three days from the firing period per kiln of wood dried, thus one big saving was brought about. On the other hand, the warm air drying process resulted in the elimination of the spotted, twisted and brashy lumber, eliminating the waste in the wood and giving the customer a much cleaner wood than could be had with the steam drying plant. That was the second manner in which the warm air heating system

revealed its superior merits.

In addition to effecting economies in the fuel requirements for the heating system and turning out a product in which the wastage was largely done away with, the warm air system produced the further result of bringing the wood from a humidity of from 18 to 40 per cent down to 2 per cent, while the lowest that could be obtained with the steam system was 4 and 5 per cent and that only under the most favorable circumstances.

Thus again we see the warm air heating system triumphing over steam and hot water not only in the domestic field where its duties are the provision of heat for the home, but in the industrial field as well, its special qualities are being recognized by and taken advantage of by the manufacturer, processor and fabricator.

The drying of wood for pattern making is a very particular process. The wood must be thoroughly seasoned and in such a way that it can be easily machined into the shapes and forms desired. Wood not thoroughly seasoned will shrink and thus render the pattern useless. Wood that is bowed or twisted can not be used for obvious reasons. Therefore when the warm air heating system can be made to do the work satisfactorily upon which the steam system has fallen down, this is indeed an indication of the superior merit of the former system.

This commercial use of the warm air heating system could be greatly extended. There are at the present time many manufacturing processes that require wood that is thoroughly seasoned. But the ordinary seasoning method employed at the present time, that of piling lumber in the yard in great piles and allowing it to stand for months at a time, is an antiquated method of doing things. It requires the tying up of enormous funds of capital in lumber, because the large scale production or mass production requires that material be on hand so that the shop can be kept running five days in the week, and lumber must be purchased months in advance and allowed to dry.

# Are Warm Air Furnace Installers "Kidding" Themselves That They Are Using the Code?

Many Think They Are Making Code Installation When They Are Not

By R. P. WHITMER\*

WE are conducting intensive propaganda among all of our dealers for the purpose of getting them to use the Standard Code.

We have found the following to be the facts and we believe that they apply not only to our dealers, but to dealers of practically all furnace companies:

1—Most dealers, while they give lip acquiescence to the Standard Code, are not actually using it.

2—Those who really do try conscientiously to use it, find it too long for some of their quick estimating, and as a consequence, in quick estimating, do not use it.

3—There does not seem to be any well organized estimating sheets for estimating Standard Code requirements, except that furnished by the

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National Warm Air Heating Association. That sheet does not make any provision for heat loss through floors in unexcavated spaces and heat loss through the ceiling.

4—Many warm air furnace installers think they are using the Standard Code and they are only using part of it. They are dividing by 800, 60, and 12 and multiplying by nine, but they are not making corrections for below zero outside temperature where the locality requires it. In many instances, we also find that they are not making allowances for ceiling losses, one of the most important features entering into the correct calculation of heat losses. The same is true of unexcavated basements.

We have come across what we are pleased to term the Standard Code Computing Rule and have

adopted it for our own engineering department's quick estimating on gravity furnace heating.

We have made up what we call our Computing Rule Data Sheet for the purpose of aiding our dealers to use the Standard Code Computing Rule.

We are making a distribution of both the Standard Code figuring blank for figuring jobs and of our Computing Rule Data Sheet to all dealers who are interested in figuring real Standard Code jobs quickly and accurately.

We are not distributing these in quantities free of charge, but are selling them at our actual cost of reprinting, not original set-up of type, but reprinting. We are only asking the dealers to pay for the cost of running off their quantities, while we are paying for the cost of

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the original set-up of type.

The Computing Rule Data Sheet has been found to be practical in actual operation and our dealers are really using it. Every day I get in letters from dealers now, asking opinions as to various heating matters, and each one sends his Computing Rule Data Sheet properly filled out, from which we quickly make the necessary calculations.

We believe that this is a real step forward in figuring warm air heating jobs, and will be pleased to send Computing Rule Data Sheets to any one who is interested in them.

Table A of the Standard Furnace Code, including the explanatory notes of the code, together with information concerning register and pipe sizes, is also included in the data sheet.

### Furnace Manufacturers Are Looking to a Good Season

Personal calls by members of AMERICAN ARTISAN staff on the trade the past few weeks, and the statements of visitors at our offices reveal quite an optimistic spirit.

The following letter showing this same spirit has just been received from Richardson & Boynton Company:

"Promise of a good season in the heating industry is forecast in the announcement recently made by the Richardson & Boynton Company, that all of their plants are now in full operation.

"Their newly acquired plant at Utica, N. Y., one of the most modern and complete plants in the country, is in full production, with orders

ahead sufficient to maintain that schedule for an indefinite period.

"In addition, foundry facilities of the company are operating in a most satisfactory manner. Production is now well up to any demand.

"This full time basis of production not only places the company in a most advantageous position as regards shipments, but it also forecasts a season of activity that is expected to compensate for past months that have been regarded, in general, as disappointing.

"All the plants of the Richardson & Boynton Company are devoting their facilities to the production of warm air heaters, including the newly acquired Utica line, both cased and uncased.

"In spite of the additional production problems which the consolidation with the old Utica Heater Co., brought about, the company states that its foundry facilities have been and are equal to the task, and are now making immediate deliveries on all lines."

### And a Good Time Was Had by All

Yes, each and every one of the three hundred or so Illinois and Chicago hardware folks who picnicked at Wing Park, Elgin, Wednesday, August 22nd, will remember this outing as one of real pleasure.

Some golfed, some played ball, others tennis; the kiddies and at least a few of the grown-ups rode on the merry-go-rounds, did the stunts in the playgrounds; in fact, everybody did as they pleased, with one thought in mind-"We are here for fun and fun we are going to have."

The baseball game between the Chicago dealers and, as Secretary P. M. Mulliken said, "the rest of the world" would have been a lesson to the big leaguers-6 to 5 in favor of Chicago, and a hard won game at that.

Yes, a good time was had by all, and now the Illinois folks are all working to make the 1929 convention, to be held at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, February 12, 13 and 14, the biggest and best yet.

### Does Moist Air Save Fuel?

Moist air is more comfortable at 70 degrees than dry air is at 75 de-Some heating engineers claim that moist air saves fuel; others claim that the amount of heat required to evaporize the water is substantially equal to the amount of heat saved by using a lower temperature where you have a higher humidity. According to this heating engineers do not agree, but nevertheless, our experience shows a saving of fuel where moist air up to 50 per cent is used.

There is no question about using heat units to evaporate water.

Everybody knows it takes heat to make steam and some of the heat units of your heating plant will be used to evaporate the water into moist air.

We believe that most of the heating engineers are correct in their assertions, but do not go far enough in their explanations as to the reason for fuel saving or not. Our observation and experiments have shown that there is a difference, and we term this difference a fuel saving. There isn't a warm air heating plant in existence but what wastes fuel because of dry air. The tendency is to fire up when we feel cold because of excessive dryness, and thus our heating plants are forced to such an extent that at times the home will register as high as 80 degrees above. If we were in a 50 per cent moist air atmosphere all the time, this excessive heat would not be required, consequently there would not be a fuel waste. In other words, it is not so much "fuel saving" as it is "fuel waste." I actually know from experience that there is a lot of fuel wasted by not keeping the rooms of the home up to the proper amount of moisture.

The difference in heat units used in dry air as against moist air to 50 per cent in the average home would be more than the number of heat units it would take to evaporate the water necessary to bring the moist air to 50 per cent, because the average dry home uses a higher temperature than it should, which is a sure and proven evidence of fuel waste.

Some heating engineers claim the vapor pan should be where the hottest air passes over it and that it should be kept full automatically. If this is correct, we would like to know how a perfect per cent of moisture can be maintained when one furnace is installed with proper circulation and the other without proper circulation. It is not a correct way to maintain proper moisture. There should not be a quantity of water where the hottest air passes over the vapor pan, but it should be put into the vapor pan by a drip system and evaporated as soon as it

comes in. If the heat of the furnace controls the drip to the amount needed, a more perfect per cent of moisture can be obtained and will not be intermittent.

If a body of water is maintained in the vapor pan, where it is not continually agitated, a lime scum forms, and in real cold weather when the fire is strong, the water boils, causing the scum to break, and for a time too much moisture is experienced, thus causing too much condensation (or sweat) on windows and walls. When the fire is low you do not get enough moisture.

What everybody needs is 50 per cent humidity. It does not make any difference how much water it takes to get the 50 per cent moisture; some engineers claim it takes one gallon per room every 24 hours, but it does not make any difference whether it takes one gallon or 24 gallons per day as long as you get the 50 per cent moisture.

It takes more water in some homes than in others, depending on the construction of the home or the conditions in the home, but we must have moisture in any home where artificial heat is used.

### Prest-O-Lite Company Adds Two New Plants

The Prest-O-Lite Company, Inc., has lately added two new plants to its nation-wide chain making the total 33. These will serve nearby industry with dissolved acetylene, used in oxy-acetylene welding and cutting. A plant in charge of H. A. Smith at 631 South 17th Street, Harrisburgh, Pennsylvania, started production on July 12th, and another at 17th and W. Lawrence Streets, Allentown, Pennsylvania, J. W. Summers, Superintendent, commenced operations on July 21st.

Try this out and see if you get the same total:

In what year were you born?....

What is your age?

Total

In what year did you take your present position?

How many years have you worked at this job? 3856



### Milk Can Bottoms

From Livingston Sheet Metal Works, Livingston, Montana.

Can you inform us where we can buy milk can bottoms?

Ans.—National Enameling and Stamping Co., Milwaukee, Wisconsin; American Can Company, 104 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago; Republic Metalware Company, Buffalo, New York.

### Cast Iron Smoke Pipe

From C. B. Rose & Son, Louisiana, Missouri.

Will you please tell me who makes cast iron furnace smoke pipe and elbows?

Ans. — Waterloo Register Co., Waterloo, Iowa.

### SPOT NEWS

W. W. Langworthy has engaged in business in Marshfield, Ore., as the Coos Bay Sheet Metal Works.

V. W. Wendlick and A. G. Ross have engaged in business in Portland, Ore., under name of Pacific Furnace & Sheet Metal Co.

A. G. Long & Co., formerly of Procter, Minn., have engaged in the sheet metal business in Bloomer, Wis., and will do heating, ventilating, roofing and other work.

The Bloomington Sheet Metal Works, 3736 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn., has the roofing contract for a dwelling in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Schupert & Koudelka, Iowa City, Iowa, have the sheet metal and tin work on the Paul L. Hummer warehouse at that point.

The Duncan Sheet Metal Co., 721 Tuttle Street, Des Moines, Iowa, has been awarded the sheet metal contract for addition to high school in Sigourney, Iowa.

The Hawkeye Tin Shop, 96 2nd Avenue, East, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has the heating contract for the Henry S. Ely residence.

The Hastings Sheet Metal Works, Hastings, Nebraska, has the furnace contract for Mads Anderson residence in that city. The Iowa City Sheet Metal Company, Iowa City, Iowa, has the contract for the sheet metal work on the American Legion building at that point.

The Manhattan Sheet Metal Company, Manhattan, Kansas, has been awarded the heating contract for Memorial Hospital in Lawrence, Kansas

The Pittsburg Cornice Works, Pittsburg, Kansas, has been awarded the heating and ventilating contract for the Eugene Field Grade School in that city, at \$11,350.

The Tullis Sheet Metal Works, 2204 East Douglas, Wichita, Kansas, has been awarded the heating and sheet metal contract for the H. M. Corbett residence at 93 Faulkner Avenue.

The Acme Heating Company has been incorporated in Oakland, Cal., by H. C. Kelsey of Oakland and Albert D. Ayres and J. M. Guinn of Reno, Nevada. The same people are engaged in business under the same name in Reno.

B. F. Shell, 11 East Washington Street, Petaluma, California, has been awarded the sheet metal contract, and Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works, Harrison and Tenth Street, San Francisco, Cal., the sheet sash contract for Poultry Producers warehouse in Petaluma.

The Guilfoy Cornice Works, 1234 Howard Street, San Francisco, Galifornia, has been awarded the sheet metal contract for Bank of Italy building in Watsonville, California.

The Standard Sheet Metal Co., Palo Alto, California, has been awarded the sheet metal contract for the Bank of Italy building at that point.

The Hodge Sheet Metal Works, Los Angeles, California, has been awarded the sheet metal contract for the United Artists building.

The Home of the Cone €o., 413 East Broadway, Glendale, has contract for construction of sheet metal store buildings for Alfred H. Prince and Nels Christensen, in San Fernando Annex, Los Angeles, California.

Alfred Anderson and Bernice D.

King have engaged in business at 206 N. San Fernando road, Glendale, California, under name of both Paramount Sheet Metal Works, and Paramount Ornamental Iron Works.

P. J. Jeffway is establishing an ornamental iron works shop at 824 Colorado Street, Santa Monica, California.

Alfred Gantert and N. Macmillan have engaged in business at 1412 Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, California, as Standard Metal Weather Strip Company.

The United Products Company has been incorporated in Detroit, Michigan, with an authorized capital stock of \$50,000, to engage in the ornamental sheet metal work and roofing business at 4246 Grand River Avenue.

The Western Sheet Metal Works, Inc., has been chartered in St. Louis, Missouri, by Gus H. Becker, 50 Lewis Place, and others.

The Fanaire Heater Company has been incorporated in St. Louis, Missouri, by Carlyle Emery, 5502 Delmar Street, and others.

Be Sure to Install According to Standard Code Says Chicago Daily News

Every little helps. The following is an item which appeared in the Chicago Daily News architectural section which shows that people inquiring for information on warm air heating are being given the correct "dope" by the Daily News:

"Q.—The man who I plan to have install my warm air furnace says that a connection to outside air, as we had on our old house, is not necessary. How can you get fresh air without it?

"A.—The modern principle of warm air heating plants is to recirculate the air. This is economical, scientific, requires no additional air taken from outside the house. As a matter of fact, the changes of air in a house built as ordinarily are frequent. Be sure to have your furnace man install in accordance with the standard code of the National Warm Air Heating association."

# Iron and Steel Demand Keeps Strength

Production Stays at High Levels—Prices Harden—Pig Iron in Middle West Is Higher

RON and steel demand, greatly accelerated in recent weeks, shows no signs of diminishing. On the contrary, good as the market is at present, the brightest part of the picture is the assurance of sustained and broadening activity. Buying of all classes of steel continues heavy, and while the automotive industry has been one of the chief mainstays of the market, a wider range of interest is apparent. The stronger tone of the market is largely responsible for an unusually heavy run of specifications on this quarter's contracts.

### Structural Awards Continuue Substantial

Several substantial awards are noted in the structural shape market, although most of the tonnage now being placed on mill books represents a large aggregate of moderate size orders.

Sheet specifications have increased substantially as consumers show more eagerness to take all that is due them on third quarter contracts, especially in view of the advance in black and galvanized for fourth quarter. Jobbers are laying in heavy supplies, due to the decrease in discount, now more generally followed, and to strengthening prices. Some manufacturers in the Middle West have already closed on fourth quarter sheet needs. The leading maker at Pittsburgh reports last week's orders were the heaviest of any week since November, 1925. It has followed the independents in adopting 2.75 cents for black and 3.60 cents for galvanized for fourth quarter, with blue annealed continuing at 2.00 cents to 2.10 cents and autobody at 4.00 cents. Mill operations now are as close to capacity as weather conditions will permit.

### Wants 50,000 Tons of Pipe

Sheet production by independents reporting to the National Association of Flat Rolled Steel Manufacturers dropped to 267,685 tons in

July, the lowest point since December, 1927. Shipments were reduced to 278,310 tons, smallest since Januarv. 1928. Sales, however, increased to 333,357 tons, largest since March. Demand from automobile and parts makers provide the bulk of heavy specifications for strip steel. Makers in the Pittsburgh district have increased operations greatly over the July rate and report the possibility of this month's output setting a record. Tin plate mills still operate close to capacity. Fourth quarter books for wire and nails have been opened at unchanged prices by a Pittsburgh maker.

### Pig Iron

At Pittsburgh sustained activity in finished steel and a trend toward higher steel prices is beginning to influence pig iron. Both sales and inquiry for foundry requirements for the remainder of the year are more pronounced. All sellers talking firmer prices. Basic generally is quoted \$16, valley.

Bessemer iron is firm at \$17, valley. Sales are mostly in carloads.

More strength is noted in the Chicago pig iron market. Advancement of Cleveland iron to \$17 has reduced the fear of competition from furnaces in that district and has stimulated Chicago district buyers into buying at present prices of \$17.50 for malleable and No. 2 foundry, Chicago furnace, and \$18 for foundry No. 1. Several sellers reported last week as the busiest of the summer, while all state that sales are ahead of August, 1927. Pig iron prices are stronger in Toledo and Detroit and less resistance is found in Chicago against closing at the market.

Steady deliveries have reduced Birmingham surplus stock of foundry iron. The price holds at \$15.50, base, Birmingham.

### Copper

Demand has not been heavy but the market has held firmly at 14.75 cents, delivered Connecticut. Some interest in October metal has been shown by users but for the most part consumers have been confining their purchases to September delivery. The trade now is said to be well covered on its September requirements. Some good export business has been done the past week and more buying for September delivery is expected.

### Zinc

While buying has been slow producers have held their prices at 6.25 cents, East St. Louis, and 6.60 cents New York. Consumers have not been showing any great amount of interest. Some easing has been noted in position of ore supplies but the ore price has held unchanged.

### Lead

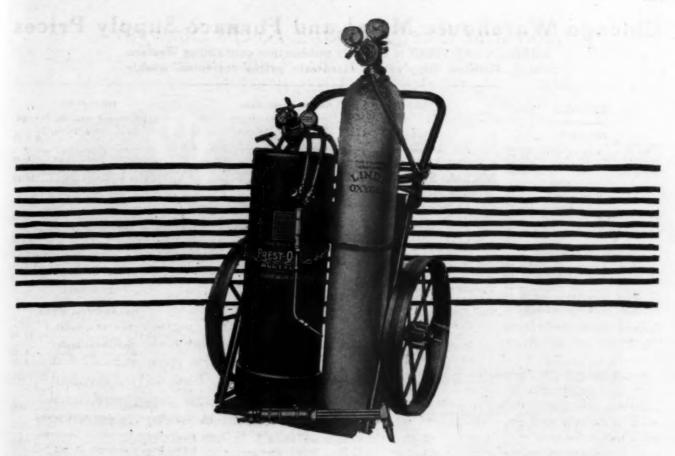
This metal has been in very active demand the past week. The market has shown considerable strength as a consequence and prices have been firmer. While 6.02½ cents, East St. Louis, has been quoted, however, the bulk of business done during the week was at 6.00 cents. The London market is stronger although during the past few days prices there have slipped off slightly.

### Tin

Prices continue to fluctuate but the range has been narrow. Spot metal appears to be in a tight position but considerable easiness is noted in futures. On some days demand has been fairly active.

### Old Metals

Wholesale quotations in the Chicago district, which should be considered as nominal, are as follows: Old steel axles, \$15.75 to \$16.25; old iron axles, \$24.00 to \$24.50; steel springs, \$15.50 to \$16.00; No. 1 wrought iron, \$11.25 to \$11.75; No. 1 cast, \$13.00 to \$13.50; all per net tons. Prices on non-ferrous metals are quoted as follows, per pound: Light copper, 10½ cents; zinc, 3½ cents; cast aluminum, 11¾ cents.



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## Chicago Warehouse Metal and Furnace Supply Prices

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1	METALS	American Pig\$7 20	Adams' Sheet Metal	FIRE POTS
		Bar 8 20	7 inch, des 1 60 8 inch, des 2 20	Occ. 17, Diener Mig. Co.
	PIG IRON Chicago Fdy.,	Pig Tinper 100 lbs. \$55 00 Bar Tinper 100 lbs. 56 00	9 inch, dos 2 60	
	No. 2	Bar Tinper 100 lbs. 56 60	10 inch, doz	No 4950 Versens es
1	Lake Superior Charcoal 37 04 Malleable	HARDWARE, SHEET METAL SUPPLIES,	14 inch. doz 5 00	No. 18 Tinner's Furn. Square tank, 1 gal 11 36
	FIRST QUALITY BRIGHT TIN PLATES	WARM AIR FURNACE	RAVES TROUGH	No. 15 Tinner's Furn.
1	C 20x28 112 sheets\$25 10		Galv. Crimpedge, crated 75 & 10% Zinc, "Barnes"	Round tank, 1 gal 10 70 No. 21 Gas Soldering Fur-
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È	XXXX 20x28 18 95	Paper up to 1/166c per lb.	Conductor Pipe	No. 110 Automatic Gas Soldering Furnace 10 50
	TERNE PLATES Per Box	Roll board	Galv. plain or corrugated,	
1	C 20x28, 40-lb, 112 sheets \$25 00 X 20x28, 40-lb, 112 sheets 27 75 C 20x28, 25-lb, 112 sheets 21 15	sq. ft. to roll)\$6 00 per roll	round flat Crimp. 28 Gauge	Quick Meal Stove Co. Vesuvius, F. O. B. St. Louis 30%
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C	okes, 155 lbs., base, 56	THE Tree Price Plan	Standard Gauge Conductor Pipe,	Single Strength, 9, 34 to 48- in. brackets88%
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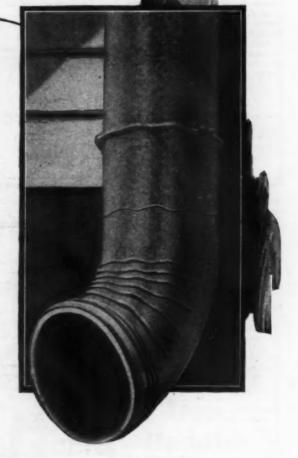
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